

**SABIT GROUP PROGRAM****WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FOR WESTERN EURASIA AND CAUCASUS****JUNE 10 – JULY 8, 2006****DELEGATE BIOGRAPHIES**

Tariel Adamia
Vice President
Scientific Research Firm Gamma
Tbilisi, Georgia

Scientific research firm Gamma is a research and consulting firm divided into five units: consulting, laboratory services, certification, technology, and engineering. Gamma specialists advise on the design and installation of water treatment systems, evaluate water reserves, water source protection, and laboratory services. Mr. Adamia is particularly interested in quality control and testing. He would like to learn about new water treatment technology, laboratory practices and water testing.

Manana Bostashvili
Community Development Specialist
Social Investment Department, Georgia Municipal
Development Fund
Tbilisi, Georgia

Originating as a partnership project between the World Bank and the Georgian Government, the Georgia Municipal Development Fund (MDF) works to improve several different areas of Georgia's infrastructure, including construction and repair of water supply systems, improvements to sewer systems and decontamination of water supplies. As a community development specialist, Ms. Bostashvili surveys existing water systems and advises on system refurbishment or new facility development. She is hopeful that she will learn more about efficient operating practices, new equipment and technologies for drinking water treatment facilities, storage tanks, wastewater treatment, pricing, financing, quality control, and decontamination.

Vladimir Garaba
President
Environmental Movement of Moldova, Kishinev Branch
Kishinev, Moldova

Environmental Movement is a non-governmental organization, which researches and analyzes water resources and works with the public and the government for the passage of improved legislation and increased water monitoring. Mr. Garaba is particularly interested in wastewater issues and in learning about facility privatization, and new developments in water decontamination. He is also interested in regulatory and legal issues, quality control, reclamation and standards.

Tamara Guvir
Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources
Consultant
Kishinev, Moldova

As a consultant to the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, Ms. Guvir works with the division of pollution prevention. She is primarily responsible for the development of new laws and regulations concerning drinking water and wastewater management. One of the biggest challenges she finds is working with outdated equipment and inadequate data tracking systems. During this program, she would like to examine a number of interests, including rate structuring, pricing and fees, financing, quality control, IT applications, reclamation and reuse, source water protection, and current legislation and regulations.

Natiliya Lysak
Assistant General Director, Economics and Reform
Municipal Industrial Enterprise,
"Dneprodzerzhinskovodokanal"
Dneprodzerzhinsk, Ukraine

Dneprodzerzhinskovodokanal provides the drinking water and processes the wastewater for the city of Dneprodzerzhinsk, Ukraine (population over 250,000). Ms. Lysak oversees the enterprise's financial management and investment into their facilities. The need for modern equipment is great, and Ms. Lysak is particularly interested in testing equipment, piping, energy efficiency, IT applications, and seeing U.S. water treatment facilities. As financing is her primary responsibility, she looks forward to learning about rate structuring and water pricing, facility financing, and privatization.

Roman Mikheyev
Production Manager / Chief Engineer
Municipal Enterprise, "Kremenchugvodokanal"
Kremenchug, Ukraine

Kremenchugvodokanal is a municipal organization responsible for providing drinking water, and for removing and processing wastewater for Kremenchug, Ukraine (population 240,000). The facility produces 39.6 MGD of potable water and processes about 31.7 MGD of wastewater. As production manager and chief engineer, Mr. Mikheyev is primarily focused on the water treatment process and quality control, and is interested in gaining insight into new processes and seeing technology for processing drinking and wastewater. He is also interested in disinfection technologies, primary and advanced water treatment, water reclamation and reuse, standards, and quality control.



Lyudmila Moiseyeva
Government Inspector, Water Source Use and Conservation
State Enterprise of Ecology and Natural Resources
Zaporozhye, Ukraine

As inspector for the State Enterprise of Ecology and Natural Resources, Ms. Moiseyeva's prime concern is the quality of drinking water being provided to the Zaporozhye region from its prime water source, the Dnieper River. She is interested in treatment and purification methods, disinfection, equipment and chemical treatments, and quality control.

Ilya Mtskhvetadze
Chief Specialist, Department of Environmental Integration
Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources
Tbilisi, Georgia

The Ministry of Environmental Protection of Natural Resources is responsible for the monitoring and protection of environmental resources. Mr. Mtskhvetadze supervises water usage and protection. He is particularly interested in intake and wastewater treatment facilities, disinfection, UV technologies and much more.

Karapet Ohanyan
Deputy Branch Manager
Yerevan Water and Sewer
Yerevan, Armenia

Yerevan Water and Sewer provides drinking water and processes wastewater in Yerevan and the surrounding areas, servicing 1.5 million residents, through 11 branches. Mr. Ohanyan is responsible for the Kentron Branch, servicing 105,000 residents and is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the pumping stations and operating reservoirs, management of the network water flow, and future maintenance planning. The major problem that his branch faces is leakage detection, inadequate pressure and contamination issues. Because of the status of the current system, he is interested in pipes, water mains, meters and storage tanks, as well as training and certification.

Marina Pashchenko
Department Head, Design and Engineering
Project and Design Center of Water Purification Technologies Development
Kiev, Ukraine

The Project and Design Center is a private firm which designs water processing facilities in the Kiev region. As the Design and Engineering Department Head, Ms. Pashchenko is responsible for design and management of various projects. She intends to address some of the challenges facing her division, while attending the SABIT program, such as learning about new equipment, legislative issues, and innovative technology. She is particularly interested in drinking water treatment, equipment (pumps, valves, meters), water reclamation, site security, pollutant trading system and more.

Lidiya Pochekeylova
Department Head, Environmental Control, Thermo-technology and Physical-Chemical Metering
Ukrainian Research and Training Center of Standardization, Certification and Quality Issues
Kiev, Ukraine

The Research and Training Center houses the only government institution focused on technical, professional training for water management professionals, including standards and certification, water and soil testing, and laboratories. As Department Head for the institution, Ms. Pochekeylova wants to ensure her students receive training in the latest information technology. While on the SABIT program, she wants to learn more about quality control standards, testing equipment, personnel issues and training

Sergey Razmetayev
Director
Ukrainian State Research Institute of Water Supply, Sewer and Environmental Protection "UkrVODGEO"
Kharkov, Ukraine

Founded in 1934, UkrVODGEO is a governmental organization that develops operation regulations for local water utilities. It also conducts research on best practices for water sanitation and raw sewage disposal and is tasked with issues dealing with water management system construction, wastewater treatment and water supply protection. Razmetayev is charged with both design and management duties and is responsible for the work of over 60 employees. He cites lack of information and knowledge about new technology and practices as important issues for his organization. Razmetayev's goal in participating in the SABIT program is to familiarize himself with new technologies and concepts as well as U.S. Governmental organizations and legal issues impacting water management in the United States.

Alice Savadyan
Technical Specialist
Committee on Social Affairs, Health Care and Nature Protection
Yerevan, Armenia

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health Care and Nature Protection is part of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia (RA). The Committee is responsible for coordinating the use of natural resources such as water supply. In 2001, the unit developed a concept paper to provide the direction for reforming the water management system in the country, including developing new legislation and a "water code". Out of this paper, a number of laws were developed and adopted. The Committee is currently working on developing draft laws on drinking water. As a Technical Specialist, Savadyan is responsible for coordinating issues related to environmental protection and resource. Savadyan hopes to take the information she learns while on the SABIT program and use it to train others in Armenia.

Yelena Shchegelskaya
Deputy Director
OLV-Kiev, Ltd.
Kiev, Ukraine

Ms. Shchegelskaya is co-owner of the private firm OLV-Kiev, Ltd., founded in 1998. OLV-Kiev is focused on developing equipment for stormwater treatment and working with clients to develop system design. The main challenge that the company faces is meeting new, stronger ecological requirements, requiring new technology. During the SABIT Program, Ms. Shchegelskaya hopes to learn about equipment developments and operations in wastewater treatment. She is also interested in laws regarding ecological standards and enforcement of those regulations.

Nodar Sherozia
Director
Water Supply Company "Rustavtskali"
Rustavi, Georgia

Rustavtskali provides water for the city of Rustavi, Georgia (population approximately 160,000). As Director, Mr. Sherozia has a significant interest in improving the services to his customers. One of his primary challenges is working with antiquated equipment, and he looks forward to seeing new and more reliable equipment while in the United States, and is very interested in viewing American treatment facilities. As equipment is a significant concern, he is interested in water mains, storage tanks, pumps, valves

meters and backflow devices. In addition, he is interested in water testing and quality control.

Ivan Zhukov
Deputy Director
State Enterprise, "Ukrpromvodchermet"
Donetsk, Ukraine

Ukrpromvodchermet provides drinking water to the Donetsk region of Ukraine through 17 filtration plants and 50 pumping plants. As Deputy Director, Mr. Zhukov is responsible for the operations and design of the enterprise. He is very interested in gaining information on testing, quality control and purification technologies, as well as energy efficient technologies.

Ion Zhunya
Technical Director
Apa Canal Kishinev
Kishinev, Molodva

Apa Canal Kishinev provides drinking water and services the city's wastewater. One of the company's primary concerns is water monitoring and leakage. As a result, Mr. Zhunya is very interested in fixing the city's water mains, installing water meters, and new environmental-friendly technology for treatment. Mr. Zhunya is looking forward to seeing systems in the United States and to finding ideas to improve the quality and efficiency of his operations.

Aleksandr Zhuravel
Mayor
City of Yuzhniy
Yuzhniy, Ukraine

As Mayor of Yuzhniy, Mr. Zhuravel has the ultimate responsibility to ensure that the utilities are operating properly and services are provided to his citizens. He has the same problems of many other developing cities of providing quality drinking water and effectively processing wastewater. To address the issue of quality drinking water, Yuzhniy built a disinfection station; however it does not solve all the issues, as there is a significant problem with the source water and the facility still needs improved efficiency. Mr. Zhuravel is very interested in meeting with American facilities and learning about source water and treatment, quality control, wastewater treatment and related equipment.